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SUBJECT: SKAGIT RIVER - ROSS DAM

1. MAY 7 TORONTO GLOBE AND MAIL PUBLISHED EDITORIAL
ENTITLED "BATTLE OF THE SKAGIT".

2. AFTER REVIEWING BACKGROUND OF SKAGIT RIVER PROBLEM,
EDITORIAL CITES TWO LEGAL POSITIONS TAKEN BY BC
GOVERNMENT AND CONCLUDES "THE OBJECTIVE OF BOTH ARGUMENTS
IS THE SAME... THE IJC IS THE ONLY QUALIFIED BODY TO HEAR
THE MATTER AND IT HAS ASKED THE COMMISSION TO REOPEN THE
CASE."

3. EDITORIAL STATES THAT THERE IS NO GUARANTEE THE IJC
"WILL BUY BC'S ARGUMENT" AND CONCLUDES "THE POLITICIANS IN
OTTAWA AND VICTORIA HAVE BEEN INCLINED TO BE BOORISH ABOUT
THE WHOLE SKAGI AFFAIR -- PARTICULARLY WHEN THE
AMERICANS HAVE THE LAW ON THEIR SIDE. IT WOULD BE,
AS WE SAID EARLIER, AN IMMENSE TRAGEDY IF THE SKAGIT
VALLEY WERE FLOODED. IT WILL ONLY BE AVOIDED IF OUR
POLITICIANS PUT ASIDE THEIR DEMOGOGIC WORDS AND SIT
DOWN TO TALK."

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4. FULL TEXT BY POUCH TO EUR/CAN.

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